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Mayor Madden Issues Update on City Response to Winter Storm

TROY, NY – Mayor Patrick Madden issued the following update on the City of Troy's preparations and ongoing response to inclement winter weather impacting the Capital Region. City crews have been deployed to address snowy conditions on local roadways throughout the storm.

Mayor Madden said, "With a potential foot of mixed precipitation expected to fall throughout today and overnight into Wednesday, Public Works and Public Utilities crews have made the necessary preparations to keep our streets clear throughout the storm. With the public's full cooperation and assistance, we can ensure a quick and efficient response to keep roads open and passable. I encourage residents to lend a hand to clear sidewalks and ramps near their home or business, and check in with neighbors, family and friends, especially the elderly or those with young children who may need assistance."

Parking Restrictions

Residents should observe all regularly-posted parking restrictions. Vehicles in violation of posted parking restrictions will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. All city-owned lots and parking garages are available for free overnight parking. A map and list of locations is available at http://www.troyny.gov/parking

Additional free overnight parking will be available in the following surface lots beginning 5:00pm, Tuesday, February 12th, through 9:00am, Wednesday, February 13th:

- South Troy Pool parking lot
- Little Italy Marketplace parking lot
- Knickerbacker Ice Rink parking lot
- Frear Park Ice Arena parking lot

Motorists are asked to limit travel during the storm. Drivers should exercise caution, reduce speeds and watch for plow vehicles. Residents are asked to park vehicles in driveways to keep city roadways as clear of obstacles as possible.

The public is reminded to remove snow and ice from sidewalks and ramps near their home or business. Please help keep our community accessible to people of all ages and abilities. Sidewalks adjacent to properties must be cleared of snow by 10:00am the day following the end of a snowstorm. Do not shovel snow into city streets – this can create a hazard for vehicles and reduce effectiveness of snow cleanup by City crews.

Help protect your family and neighborhood by shoveling out fire hydrants near your home or business during and after the storm. This will save local emergency personnel valuable time when responding to a possible medical or public safety emergency in your neighborhood.

Weather Conditions

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Winter Storm Warning beginning 10:00am Tuesday, February 12th, until 12:00pm Wednesday, February 13th. Total snow and sleet accumulations of 5 to 11 inches are expected.

Travel may be dangerous during the storm with snow and ice creating potentially hazardous conditions on local roadways. Residents should exercise caution if traveling, take appropriate precautions, reduce speeds, and allow for extra time during the Tuesday evening commute. For more information on local weather conditions, please visit the NWS website at www.weather.gov/aly/

Snow Emergency

A snow emergency has **NOT** been declared at this time. Snow emergencies are declared at the discretion of the Mayor approximately eight hours before the measure goes into effect. In the event a snow emergency is announced, news outlets – including print newspapers, radio and television stations – will be immediately notified. Information will also be posted on the city website and social media pages. An emergency will begin at either 8:00 a.m. or 8:00 p.m. and last 48 hours. However, if conditions warrant, an emergency may be extended an additional 48 hours with the odd/even parking restrictions starting over.

Sign up to receive snow emergency notifications and other announcements from City Hall by visiting www.troyny.gov/connect

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